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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF STATEMENT MADE AT NOON PRESS

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BRIEFING JULY 18 ON EC BAN ON BEEF IMPORTS ANNOUNCED JULY 16:

BEGIN TEXT: WE DEEPLY REGRET THE ACTION TAKEN BY HE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY ON JULY 16 TO BAN THE ISSUANCE OF IMPORT LICENSES FOR BEEF, VEAL AND LIVE CATTLE FROM ALL THIRD COUNTRIES (EXCEPT FOR GATT-BOUND QUOTAS) FOR THE PERIOD FGOM NOW UNTIL NOVEMBER. THE U.S. IS AFFECTED BY THE MEASURE SINCE, ALTHOUGH IT IS NOT A SIGNIFICANT DIRECT SUPPLIER TO THE EC, IT COULD BECOME A SECONDARY MARKET FOR EXPORTS OF THE COUNTRIES AFFECTED BY THE BAN ON IMPORTS. WE WILL DE WATCHING THIS SITUATION CAREFULLY.

WHILE WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE INTERNAL MARKET
SITUATION IN THE COMMUNITY IS SERIOUS, THE EC IS NOT ALONE
IN FACING THE PROBLEM OF DEPRESSED PRICES FOR DOMESTIC
PRODUCERS AS A RESULT OF A CURRENT EXCESS OF WORLD BEEF
SUPPLIES. THE U.S. AND OTHER NATIONS, MANY OF THEM NOW
BARRED FROM THE ECHMARKET, FACE A SIMILAR SITUATION. WE
ARE DISAPPOINTED THAT THE COMMUNITY HAS UNDERTAKEN
UNILATERAL MEASURES WITHOUTNLRIOR AND FULL CONSULTATION
WITH OTHER MAJOR BEEF TRADING NATIONS. WE UNDERSTAND
LTHAT A GATT COUNCIL DISCUSSION OF THE EC MEASURES IS
NOW SCHEDULED FOR TOMORROW IN GENEVA AND INTEND TO
PARTICIPATE FULLY AND ACTIVELY IN THE EXAMINATION OF
THE EC MEASURES WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE SESSION.
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